ELIGIBILITY

This meet is open to athletes who:

- 1. Are currently registered Premium or Outreach members of USA Swimming. There will be no on-deck USA Swimming registration.
- 2. Are currently registered with a USA Swimming LSC of the Western Zone as of the day meet entries close, July 26, 2023.
- 3. Are no older than 14 years of age as of the first day of the meet, August 2, 2023.
- 4. Have been selected by their LSC to participate in this meet as a member of their designated LSC team.
- 5. Have met the appropriate 2023 qualifying times in competition between August 3, 2022, and the entry deadline, July 26, 2023.
- 6. Have qualifying entry times achieved at USA Swimming sanctioned, approved, or observed competitions. Entry times not in the SWIMS database must be proven to the Administrative Referee or designated representative by the LSC upon request. Failure to provide such proof of time will result in a \$250.00 fine to the athlete's LSC. The athlete will not be allowed to compete in an event that does not have a proven time. It is the responsibility of the entering LSC to verify that entry times are in SWIMS or to provide proof of times. Proof of relay entry times is not required.
- 7. Athletes with disabilities: Each LSC may bring two (2) athletes with disabilities ages 12 and under, and two (2) athletes with disabilities, ages 13-14. Athletes with disabilities are not required to meet the qualifying time standards for their age group; however, they must provide a time for each event entered. Classification of disability does not apply for this meet. Please identify athletes with disabilities when submitting entries, as well as accommodation requests. Thank you!

ENTRIES

*** Entry Qualifying Time Period: August 3, 2022 to July 26, 2023 ***

All entries must be submitted via email by the competing LSC using a USA Swimming approved Standard Database Interchangeable Format (SDIF) electronic entry file.

Entry Deadline: Wednesday * July 26, 2023 * 5:00 pm Pacific Time

- All entries shall be submitted ONLY by the LSC Team Entry Representative, on behalf of the LSC.
- With the submission of entries, the Team Entry Representative attests that all athletes entered are registered with USA Swimming.
- Submitted entries must include an athlete's full legal name, age, birthdate, USA Swimming ID number, and LSC team
- Altitude Adjustment of Entry Times: Meet qualifying times are stated at sea level; however, times achieved at an altitude of 3,000 feet or above may be adjusted in accordance with current USA Swimming policies.
- Designation of Non-Conforming & Bonus Times:
 - Qualifying short course times shall be designated in the entry file with a "Y" for short course yards and a "S" for short course meters.
 - > Entries not meeting the qualifying time standard shall be designated with a "B" for bonus swim, in addition to the course designation: "L" LCM, "Y" SCY, or "S"- SCM. Eg: 1:01.55BL * 55.55BY * 59.59BS
 - Converted times are not allowed.

Entry Limits

Individual

Athletes may enter up to six (6) individual events total but may not compete in more than three (3) individual events per day.

- Team
 - > Each LSC athlete roster is limited to no more than 80 athletes total, not including athletes with disabilities.
 - > Each LSC may enter up to 400 individual events; however no more than 160 may be slower than the qualifying time standards. Entry times slower than the qualifying time standard are to be designated as "Bonus" (see Entries, above).
 - ➤ LSCs with entries exceeding 400 individual events and/or 160 "bonus" events, shall scratch down to the stated limits prior to Wednesday's Scratch Deadline of 6:00 pm on Tuesday, August 1st − see Scratch Procedures, p.9. Failure to comply shall be deemed to have given the Meet Referee the authority to eliminate entries to comply with the stated limits. "Bonus" swims will be scratched first. Entries for athletes with disabilities are not included in the stated LSC limits.
 - Each LSC is limited to one (1) "bonus" swim per gender, per age group, for individual events 400M or longer. Entries exceeding this limit must be scratched prior to the close of the scratch deadline for the event. If the LSC fails to scratch excessive entries, the Administrative Referee shall have the authority to eliminate entries to comply with the stated limits. "Bonus" swims will be scratched first. Entries for athletes with disabilities are not included in the stated LSC limits.

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- Relay Entries
 - Each LSC is limited to two (2) relays per relay event for **single** gender relays.
 - Each LSC is limited to three (3) relays per relay event for **mixed** gender relays.
 - Mixed gender relays must be comprised of two female athletes and two male athletes.
 - If an LSC enters three mixed gender relays, only the top two (2) finishing relays are eligible to score.
 - > Entry times for relays are required when meet entries are submitted. Proof of relay entry times is not required.
 - > Relays must be made up of athletes entered in the meet whose age and gender meet the event description. Athletes are limited to one age group relay per session.
 - Relays will be scored, awards presented, and records kept for the following age groups: 10&U, 12&U, 14&U.

NO REFUNDS will be given for submitted entries that are subsequently scratched by an LSC's coach, the Meet Referee, or the Administrative Referee.

Entry Fees

- > \$20.00 per athlete surcharge
- > \$20.00 per individual event entry (\$5.00 paid by meet host to Zone Treasury)
- > \$30.00 per relay entry (\$5.00 paid by meet host to Zone Treasury)
- Payment of Entries: Payment for entries will be collected on-site at the REGISTRATION DESK and must be paid in full to receive the team's packet containing meet credentials and team information.
 - Teams will have the option of paying by either check or credit/debit card at the Registration Desk.
 - Make checks payable to IDAHO COMPETITIVE AQUATICS
 - If paying by credit card, a 2.75% convenience fee will be added to your invoice.
- NO REFUNDS will be given for submitted entries that are subsequently scratched by an LSC's coach, the Meet Referee, or the Administrative Referee.

Entry Deadline

SDIF Entry File must be received via email by 5:00 PM Pacific Time, July 26, 2023
Submit entries via email to the Administrative Referee, Mark Brown mark.brown.15@gmail.com

Submitting Entries

- > EMAIL SDIF Meet Entry File to Administrative Referee Mark Brown mark.brown.15@gmail.com
- > Include the following as PDF attachments * Team Staffing may be listed in the body of the email:
 - Individual and Relay Entries
 - Team Entry Fees Summary
 - LSC Team Staffing: Number of Coaches, Managers, and Chaperones attending meet
 - **♣ Coaches Heat Sheet Fee:** 0 6 Coaches * No Charge / **7+ Coaches * \$5.00 per coach over 6**
- Receipt of entries is not considered confirmed until the LSC Team Entry Representative receives a confirmation email from Administrative Referee Mark Brown. If an entry confirmation email is not received within 24 hours of the meet entry deadline, contact Administrative Referee Mark Brown immediately.
- > PRINT hard copies of Individual and Relay entries submitted and bring to meet as reference documents.

Administrative Entry Errors

Entries for an athlete that are incorrect due to administrative error may be corrected if the following requirements are met:

- 1. The LSC entering the athlete can prove, with documentary evidence, to the satisfaction of both the Meet Referee and the Administrative Referee that the administrative error is exclusively the fault of the LSC and not in any way the fault of the athlete.
- Such documentary evidence must be submitted to the Meet Referee or the Administrative Referee <u>prior</u> to 6:00 pm, Tuesday, August 1st (NOexceptions) where it will be subject to approval. If approved, the athlete shall be seeded correctly.